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A BOMB WITH THE FUSE LIT

EDWARD YOUNG CLARKE, past imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, the genius of its organization, the man most responsible for its growth and strength, admits that the organization is out of control, that its movements are directed by the "worst element," that the order has departed from its original purpose, and for the safety of the nation must either "clean up or disband."

Clarke should know. No man has been closer to the organization from the point of its inception until now, than he. When Colonel Bill Simmons first evolved the Ku Klux idea Clarke directed the organization.

In inevitable consequence of the policy of casked secrecy the klan become an instrument of terror in many localities.

The well-meaning old colonel was horrified. He remonstrated and split with Clarke. But after a few months without Clarke's energy and brains the klan interest faded. Simmons invited Clarke back, made concessions, virtually abdicated in his favor.

Clarke was acclaimed as the one man who could control the klan, keep it in safe channels, make it what it purported to be, an organization seeking the supremacy of Protestant whites by educational and spiritual methods.

Now he admits the job is beyond him. He calls upon the president of the United States to assist him in destroying the Frankenstein that he, more than any man, is responsible for.

From the inside, the klan looks no better, evidently, than from the outside. These are Clarke's words:

"The klan, is rapidly developing nationally as a cheap political machine, a regular law and order league and in sections where it is strongest, brazenly and openly superceding the order of the courts and through intimidation and actual physical violence, depriving American citizens of their constitutional rights without due process of law."

This is the exact indictment that this newspaper has lodged against the klan from the beginning of its fight to keep Klamath county sane.

Cold chills are chasing down the spine of the national politicians. The Ku Klux is becoming an issue despite their striving with might and main to shove it into the background.

The unparalleled corruption of the ballot box that resulted in the election of Mayfield to the United States senate in Texas is going to be aired. Mighty efforts are being made to confine the inquiry to the bare matter of Mayfield's alleged illegal expenditures, but the outraged citizens of Texas whose right of franchise was destroyed by force are not going to have it so. They want the nation to know how by intimidation, bribery, fraud and violence the senatorial election was made a farce, and worse than a farce.

And the nation wants to know. For if this desecration of an American's most prized right can happen in Texas, it can happen in any other commonwealth under similar circumstances.

Despite all efforts to suppress it, the klan is going to be a national political issue in 1924.

R. B. Creager, national committeeman from Texas, declares that unless the republicans adopt an anti-klan plank, he will open a fight on the floor of the convention for such a plank.

The situation is terrifying from the standpoint of the politician. The most terrifying element is the uncertainty of whose head may fall when the battle opens. The one certain thing is that if the klan becomes an issue the 1924 election will witness the mightiest political slaughter of history.

There is not a national office-holder today who would not gladly see the Ku Klux Klan relegated to the deepest depths of limbo. But it takes more bravery than the average politician possesses to publicly pronounce such views, or to take the lead in any movement toward klan suppression.

Coolidge advisers are urging the president to ignore Clarke's demands. They assert that they suspect democratic treachery, leading the republican chief toward a pitfall. For obviously it would be water on the wheel of the southern democrats if Coolidge were to openly defy the klan, which is said to have a member-

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ship of a million, and consequently might have a voting influence five times as great.

Yet the Scylla has its Charybdis. For arrayed against the organized klan is the unorganized patriotism of America. If the Mayfield investigation includes the klan angle, and if Creager and his following make a fight for a republican anti-klan plank the whole festering mess is going to be bared to the public gaze, and in that event the ordinary every day patriot, who makes no pretense of 100 per centism, but wholeheartedly loves his country and resents the humiliation placed upon her by such outrageous scandals as the Texas election, is going to be heard from.

And then the damphools who have been playing with dynamite, regardless of their country's safety or future, will be the center of a brief and interesting pyrotechnic display.

No wonder official Washington is uneasy. A bomb with the fuse lit is circulating.

The Office Cat



Advertisers should note that the mosquito, which does a humming business, is not satisfied with one insertion.

Ray Telford says most of the gum he chews by people who are more easily persuaded by an orator than by printed matter.

W. O. Smith says paved roads should last a long time now that they have billboards on each side to protect them from the weather.

A good neighborhood is one inhabited by people who are willing to pay more rent than they can afford.

I don't know because my wife's hair isn't bobbed, deprecates George Stevenson, but it looks to us as if, with all the bobbed hair, there ought to be a depression in the breakfast cap business.

The most common short story of the day is, "Yes, we could have afforded a bigger car, but the one we have answers our purpose all right."

People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw booze parties.

Figures don't lie but some figures do.

We don't know whether he makes both ends meet or not, but the barber generally manages to scrape along.

Mouse, according to the advertisements, is one of the popular new shades in silk hose. That reminds Fred Mills of the old-fashioned girl whose "feet, beneath her petticoat, like little mice, creep in and out."

In terms of the advertising columns, not a few of the White House visitors are going there under the head of "Advice Given," when what they really mean is "Situations Wanted."

Prayer of a Klamath Falls suitor who has just been rejected for the third time for financial reasons: "Now I lay me down to sleep; Pray the Lord my girl to keep; Until I have cash enough to redeem her."

Charles Donart suggests that a little more enthusiasm over the success of others, and others will be more enthusiastic about you.

J. Herschberger says the less a man has in his skull the more he needs in his pocket.

The charming new frocks are appearing in abundance. The only tight laces are those about dad's mouth.

Horace Manning says stenographers are good-looking girls who can't spell cat.

Rich kinkfolks are prosperous relatives who give you advice and lend you no money.

Poor kinkfolks are improvident relations who want to borrow money and refuse your advice.

A man's wife kinkfolks are her relations to whom he is proving he is some account.

Frank Upthinks lots of months need new break linings.

Halt, passer-by, and weep a tear for these remains recumbent near.

The poisoned corpse of EDWARD HAINES.

His wife suspected other janes.

Britain proposes, France disposes, and Germany just poses, says Judd Low, brilliantly.

Some friends seems to have the gift of giving useless gifts.

The stingiest man on earth is using Red Cross Seals he saved over from last Christmas.

Parents who bought drums for their children's Christmas may need some ear drums for themselves.

Speaking of the mailed fist, write a plain fist when mailing.

Christmas cigars are fine for killing moths. Just close all the doors and start smoking one.

Absence of presents doesn't make the heart grow fonder.

Only thing more useless than a man around the house on a holiday is two men.

Anybody can swear off smoking after Christmas cigars.

The A-B-C of Christmas is All Buy Cheerfully.

The average man's New Year resolution is that he will swear off and on during the coming year.

The proper place to hang mistletoe is in the hair.

Christmas cigars are made by the thief who was given enough rope.

Christmas puts the finishing touches on father's pocketbook.

Leave no leaf untarned in getting prosperity for 1924.

If every day was a holiday when would we rest up?

Pockets have that Christmas feeling.

Ten Years Ago Today

Dec. 30, 1913—Marriage Record—According to records of the county clerk eighty nine marriage licenses have been issued this year in Klamath county. Of this number Justice of the Peace Gowen married 21 couples, and the Rev. J. Stubblefield was close behind with a record of 20 couples.

(Ten years later)—Justice of the Peace Emmitt recently remarked that he had a small wager with his wife during the year 1923. Several days ago Emmitt looked over his records and found that he had all ready married 38 couples.

In the Courts

Busch versus Miller. Alleging that W. R. Miller has owed him \$163.50 since March 1, 1920, for labor, D. A. Busch filed suit yesterday in the circuit court for that amount, together with interest thereon at 6 per cent and costs and disbursements.

MERRILL P. O. EXAMINATION.

Examination will be held at Klamath Falls, January 2, for the selection of a postmaster for Merrill. The present postmaster's commission expires February 11, 1924. The salary is \$1200.

Read the Herald Want Ads.

NEWS OF THE KLAMATH COUNTRY

PLEADS GUILTY TO LIQUOR CHARGES

CHILOQUIN, Dec. 29.—(Special.) Edward H. Quigley, who entered a plea of guilty to two charges before Justice of the Peace R. C. Spink on Thursday, was given a 40-day jail sentence on the charge of being drunk and disorderly and to serve six months in jail on the second charge of possessing moonshine whiskey. Both sentences were suspended providing he obeyed the order of the court which was that he should leave the town of Chilochuin and those deeded lands over which the court has jurisdiction. He was given ten days in which to conclude his affairs and leave.

Mt. Laki and Fairview

Mr. and Mrs. Roy LaPrairie, Mr. and Mrs. Rex LaPrairie, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Booth, Floyd Greeley, Melvin Greeley and Charlie Booth spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. John Kooniz.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Cheyne entertained L. B. Dawson and family at dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Morrison and Miss Myrtle Butler spent Christmas eve and Christmas day with W. D. Butler and family in Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kooniz entertained Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kaylor at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Stewart's mother Mrs. Smith arrived here last night from Kansas. Mrs. Smith accompanied James Stewart as far as Sacramento where they had car trouble. Mrs. Smith then took the train at Sacramento. Stewart is expected to reach here in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex LaPrairie and Mr. and Mrs. Harrie Booth called on Mr. and Mrs. John Kooniz Sunday evening.

Mrs. James Stewart, Mrs. John Kooniz and Nellie Stewart called on Mrs. H. D. Morrison Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bennett spent Christmas with Mrs. Bennett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Schriener.

Frank Stewart was in Mount Laki district Thursday.

Mrs. C. A. Hill left on the morning train Saturday for Pasadena to spend the holidays with relatives.

Wallace McClellan arrived here Monday from Seattle to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McClellan.

Among those from Mount Laki and Fairview attending the play, "Mr. Bob," at Henley given by the high school students, were L. B. Dawson and family, Scott Thompson and family, H. D. Morrison and family, Sam Dehlinger and family, C. A. Hill and family, Jay Fairclow and family, Mrs. J. S. McClellan, Otto Bailie, J. R. Elliott and family and W. O'Brien.

Miss Olive Hill called at the Morrison home Monday.

BLY

Dan Driscoll of Bonanza is a guest at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. T. Givan here this week. Other guests of Mrs. Givan during the holidays were Miss Agnes Driscoll of Klamath Falls and Miss Leitha Driscoll of Lakeview.

A beautiful Christmas program was presented by the pupils of the school last Saturday evening. Following the program came the distribution of gifts by pupils of the primary room, who were dressed to represent Christmas characters and fairies.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watts and son, Mrs. Emma Keady and Miss Nellie Shaffer were Christmas day guests at the George Boyd home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Driscoll, Edwin Driscoll and Glen Parker of Klamath Falls spent the holidays at the Parker ranch here. Mrs. James Bell and family were also guests of her parents on Christmas day.

Elroy Anderson, who is attending school in Lakeview is spending the holidays here with his home folks, Mr. and Mrs. James Watts.

Guests at the Obenchain home on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Richardson, Anna Landy and Mrs. Pearl Palmer and young daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor of Beatty were visitors in Bly Christmas eve.

Guests at the Givan ranch on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Givan, Dan Driscoll, Agnes Driscoll, Leitha Driscoll and Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Givan.

An unusually large crowd attended the dance at the community hall, given on Christmas eve.

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LONE PINE

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dolan and daughter Loraine and son Lyle were guests Christmas day of Mrs. J. R. Dolan.

William Green of Klamath Falls was a visitor at the O'Connor home Christmas day.

William Barke attended the boxing exhibition in the Falls Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Craven called at the schoolhouse Thursday and presented a beautiful fir Christmas tree to the school for the Christmas program. The community expresses its heartfelt thanks for such a timely contribution.

Scott McKendres made a business call at the Enman ranch last week.

Con McAllister had a load of grain ground at the Merrill mill Wednesday.

Mrs. Thomas Martin of Klamath Falls is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Hosley.

Dan Malloy of Klamath Falls, cattle and sheep buyer for a San Francisco company, visited this section one day last week.

MIDLAND

Miss Frances Granger, Midland schoolteacher, left early last Saturday morning to spend Christmas vacation with her mother in Astoria, Oregon.

Homer Cabler and his brother killed 42 nice mallard ducks on the Hooper ranch last week.

V. D. Hooper and Victor Goffie killed hogs last week.

Oak Boggs spent all day Sunday on the Hooper ranch hunting. He got six ducks.

Allen, Whitson and Vernon Patterson spent all day Thursday on the Hooper ranch skating and coasting.

Mrs. H. B. Largent visited the Hoopers yesterday.

Rescoe Largent of Klamath Falls spent Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Goffie and spent all day Thursday with the Hoopers.

Mr. Wampler, of Recreation, an old friend and neighbor of the Hooper family, stopped on his way to San Francisco to spend his Christmas vacation with them.

MERRILL

The Merrill Library Club will meet Thursday, Jan. 3 with Mrs. Wm. Walker.

W. F. Jinnette left Friday for Oakland, California, to visit his parents.

M. Galconimi was taken ill Thursday, and it was decided an immediate operation was necessary. He was at once taken to Klamath Falls and an operation performed. At last account he was resting easy.

A dance was given at Merrill Hall Christmas night. A large crowd was out, a number being here from Klamath Falls and Malin.

Mrs. Rose Davis, E. A. and Sumner Davis visited in Klamath Falls Tuesday.

Why Delay

Place your order for 1924 chicks with the White Hatchery, the hatchery with a reputation for good chicks. Safe arrival, full count guaranteed. Member of Accredited Hatcheries, Sonoma county, "A" and "AA" stock. Price right. Send for catalog. WHITE HATCHERY, Petaluma, Calif.

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